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(b) to (d). In President Soares meeting with the President, Prime Minister and other Indian leaders, it was agreed to maintain a regular political dialogue, encourage businessmen in both countries to strengthen economic ties through increase in trade, investments and joint ventures in third countries.

During the visit, an agreement was singed between FICCI and the Portuguese Institute of Foreign Trade for Cooperation on business matters.

Regional Passport Office, Madras

4783. SHRI ANBARASU ERA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to augment the staff strength of the Regional Passport Office, Madras;;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is proposed to open a second Passport Offices at Madras; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AF-FAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINGH SOLANKI): (a) and (b). A proposal to augment staff strength in the passport offices is under consideration.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.

Cases Registered Under Immoral Traffic Act in Deihi

4784. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases registered in Delhi under the Immoral Traffic Act During each of the last three years:
- (b) the outcome of investigations made in this regard;
- (c) the number of women found guilty in this connection; and
- (d) the steps taken for their rehabilitation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS-TRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(a) and (b). The number of cases registered in Delhi and the outcome of their investigation is as under;-

| Years | Cases reported | Cases put to Court | Cases ending in | | Cases pending | | Persons convic- |
|-------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | | | Convic- | Acquit | Trial | invest- gation | ted . |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | ø | 7 | 8 |
| 1989 | 117 | 117 | 53 | 1 | 63 | • | 219 |
| 1990 | 192 | 192 | 86 | 3 | 103 | - | 214 |
| 1991 | 170 | 163 | 32 | 3 | 128 | 7 | 73 |